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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN POSITION ON KOREAN QUESTION

1. IN COURSE WINSTON LORD'S CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR, AND IN THEIR FOLLOW ON CONVERSATION WITH MOFA ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS KIM CHONG-TAE, KOREAN SIDE MENTIONED TWO RECENT REPORTS THEY HAD HAD ON POSSIBLE DPRK ACTION ON KOREAN QUESTION. FOLLOWING ABOVE MEETINGS, INTERNATIONAL BUREAU CHIEF HAN U-SOK, READING FROM HIS TELEGRAMS, GAVE EMBOFF FOLLOWING DETAILS:

2. ON JULY 25 FIRST SECRETARY SINCLAIR OF GUYANAN UN MISSION TOLD ROK COUNSELLOR KANG IN NEW YORK THAT ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR (WHETHER IN NEW YORK OR GEORGETOWN WAS NOT SPECIFIED) HAD TOLD GUYANANS THAT DPRK WAS WORKING HARD TO HAVE ITS POSITION REPRESENTED MORE EFFECTIVELY BY ITS FRIENDS. ROMANIAN TOLD GUYANAN THAT DPRK WAS BEING SHARPLY CRITICAL OF REPRESSIVE MEASURES IN SOUTH KOREA AND CONTINUED TO OPPOSE TWO KOREAS. ROMANIAN THEN ADDED THAT
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AT FORTHCOMING GENERAL ASSEMBLY NORTH KOREA WAS

CONSIDERING HAVING KOREAN QUESTION TAKEN UP IN
SECURITY COUNCIL INSTEAD OF IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3. SECOND REPORT HAN READ FROM CONVERSATION
BETWEEN DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS OF SWEDISH
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND ROK AMBASSADOR
IN STOCKHOLM, CHANG SANG-MOON ON JULY 17.
DIRECTOR HAN READ FOLLOWING QUOTE OF SWEDE FROM
AMBASSADOR CHANG'S TELEGRAM: "RECENTLY WE HAVE
SOME NEWS THAT BOTH SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA MAY
NOT INSCRIBE THE KOREAN ITEM. NORTH KOREAN SIDE
IS RECONSIDERING ITS POLICY OF INSCRIBING KOREAN QUESTION.
SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT FROM UN,
NOR PYONGYANG, BUT A PLACE WHERE KOREAN INTENTIONS
ARE SUPPOSED TO BE KNOWN WELL." AMBASSADOR CHANG
SPECULATED IN HIS MESSAGE THAT SOURCE MIGHT BE PEKING.

4. HAN'S INTERPRETATION OF TWO REPORTS WAS THAT
THEY INDICATED DPRK WORKING HARD AMONGST FRIENDS
AND NEUTRALS SOUNDING OUT AMONG OTHER THINGS POSSI-
BILITY OF NON-INSCRIPTION KOREAN QUESTION AS AGENDA
ITEM IN UNGA, BUT RATHER DISCUSSION IN SECURITY
COUNCIL, AND THAT ROK REPRESENTATIVES WERE HEARING
SOME LEAKAGE FROM THIS PROCESS. HE DID NOT READ
REPORTS AS DEFINITE INDICATORS OF DPRK POSITION.

5. BOTH FONMIN AND HAN EXPRESSED RENEWED CONCERN
IN LIGHT THESE REPORTS ABOUT PROLONGED DELAY IN
CONSULTATION WITH ALLIES.
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